



THE same cheerful atmosphere which prevailed during the week just ended obtains for this week, and even takes on a more gleeful mood, for Prince Pu Lun will be here! Mrs. Roosevelt will start spring hospitality at the White House, the center of social life of the nation, with a musicale. General and Mrs. Foster will give their brilliant reception in honor of the prince on Tuesday, and the same day Countess Cassini's famous bazaar will open, and with it the purses and interest of everyone. There are dinners and luncheons and teas on for every day in the week, most prominent of which, of course, is that of Secretary and Mrs. Cortelyou, in honor of the President and Mrs. Roosevelt, Tuesday evening.

Sir Liang, the Chinese minister, will entertain a large dinner party tomorrow night, in honor of the prince and his suite, and Mr. Takahira, the Japanese minister, will also contribute to the social calendar by giving a dinner.

There are numerous weddings arranged for the week, that of Miss Mary Wallace DeWitt and Dr. Robert Moore Blanchard, which takes place on Tuesday, at 4 o'clock, being one of the most prominent.

On the same day Miss Julia Waggaman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Waggaman, and Thomas Cushing Daniel will be quietly married in the presence of a few relatives and friends.

Miss Alice Gilman, daughter of President Gilman, of the Carnegie Institution, and Everett P. Wheeler have also chosen Tuesday for their wedding day.

Wednesday, the bride's own day, has its usual quota of weddings, and otherwise the week is full of interest to the social loving.

Mrs. Roosevelt's musicale Monday afternoon is the center round which all other social affairs revolve, for it is the first awakening to social life at the White House since the close of the official functions which marked executive entertaining last winter. With the announcement for this notable event comes a general suggestiveness of the breezy manner with which President Roosevelt introduced his Administration in the fall of 1901. From the first of November of that year, until the past winter, such a social pace was never set by a President of the United States.

The season just past, however, was marked by but few other than official functions. There were small dinners and luncheons, but none of the afternoon teas and musicales which marked former seasons. With the promise of the awakening to social life tomorrow, the entire atmosphere of the Capital clears socially, and an invitation from Mrs. Roosevelt to any one of the spring entertainments will detain society in Washington even to the brink of absolutely hot weather.

With the passing of Congress there is always more or less momentary sadness over the severing of old and new ties, but the depression generally ends with the parting handshake, and Washington proper puts on its spring attire and goes visiting and receiving just as usual.

Society has presented its most varied mood during the week just closed, and there was a phase of social life to the liking of everyone.

Beginning with Mrs. Barney's play at the Lafayette, for the benefit of the sufferers from the Missouri disaster, until the curtain rung down on the brilliant assembly at the Nordica concert at midnight last night, the week has been a notable one. People grew particularly hospitable, and entertained at dinners and teas, luncheons and breakfasts, without cessation during the seven days. There is a wonderfully enlivening air given even the most informal affair at this season by the show of fresh spring blossoms, flower hats, and airy costumes.

Connecticut and Massachusetts Avenues have presented a proud array of prettily dressed women every afternoon, walking out to make their calls. Of course, there were carriages and carriage gowns and wraps, such as Miss Isabel May's violet colored gown, with a picture hat of the same color, in which she goes out with her mother, but there is something so natty and nice about a well-dressed woman on promenade that one almost forgets to scan the faces of those driving by.

Count and Countess Cassini were popular guests all week, going sometimes in a single evening to a dinner, reception, and supper. Miss Roosevelt was entertained a number of times during the week, and was seen at the theater a number of times.

Cabinet Notes.

Miss Knox will reach New York May 25, from her trip to Egypt, and will shortly after that proceed to Pittsburgh, where she will be one of the bridesmaids to attend Miss Williams at her marriage. Just when Miss Knox's girl friends will act in this capacity for her is not known, but it is safe to say it will not be long, for when she once makes up her mind to a thing—such as getting married for instance—she has little hesitancy.

Mrs. Knox devotes herself to Philander, the younger son of the family, who is a great home boy. She has a charming suite of rooms fitted up for him on the top floor of the house, where he has a piano, and can entertain his boy friends to his heart's content. As there is more or less objection on the part of some of Philander's friends to entering into such parlor gymnastics as listening to a piano, Mrs. Knox has also turned her front basement room over to him, and he has it arranged for a "gym," and all sorts of boyish things are stored there.

There seems little demand made by Mrs. Roosevelt upon the time of the Cabinet women, and while Mrs. Knox is more closely and intimately connected with the "First Lady" than any other woman of the executive family, she goes to the White House only once or twice a week. Much of her time both morning and afternoon is spent in driving behind the Attorney's blooded horses. Mrs. Knox has already visited her New York modiste and has brought back a small but alluring wardrobe for the spring season. She is by far the best dressed woman of the Cabinet.

Secretary Taft will probably meet Mrs. Taft and their children in St. Louis when he goes to attend the opening of the exposition. Mrs. Taft has been in California with the children since returning to the States from the Philippines.

Dinners.

Secretary Taft was the guest of honor at a dinner last night, when General and Mrs. Gillespie entertained. Invited to meet the Secretary were the British ambassador and Lady Durand, Senator and Mrs. Dryden, Senator Frye, Miss Cannon, General and Mrs. Chaffee, Dr. and Mrs. Gilman, Mr. and Mrs. George Lothrop Bradley, and Mrs. Audenreid.

New York took off its hat to Pennsylvania Thursday night at the Shoreham, at a brilliant stag dinner, when Representative Littauer of New York gave a party entertainment for Representative Joseph E. Sibley, who sailed for Europe yesterday. Representative Sibley will take his family with him, and they will spend the summer abroad. They have maintained the most

brilliant hospitality here this season, and few women have so ably adapted themselves to Washington ways as Mrs. Sibley. She has distinguished herself in giving large and finely appointed luncheons, and her dinner parties have been particularly notable.

Of course the Sibleys are lavish in their hospitality, as was attested at one of their dinners, when the menu was so extensive that the guests never got one bite beyond the salad, simply because nature refused to be further pressed. There sat the tempting desert, and fine after touches of the meal, without a sign of an inroad, everyone acknowledging that they were capable only of the small cup of French coffee.

Miss Cannon, daughter of the Speaker, gave a luncheon of eighteen covers yesterday in compliment to Mrs. Olmsted, and again there was a delightful display of dainty spring gowns and spring flowers.

Miss Cannon, it would seem from this luncheon, has returned to small affairs, saying she believes one loses too much of one's personality in big dinners and luncheons. She gave one or two luncheons this spring when there were forty women invited at a time.

Rear Admiral and Mrs. McGowan entertained a dinner company last evening.

Teas.

Countess di Celler, wife of the charge d'affaires of the Italian embassy, held her accustomed Saturday afternoon levee, when all the younger members of society visited quite delightfully and informally with the hostess and with each other. It was at one of Countess di Celler's "afternoon's" that the story of the engagement of Miss Langham and Viscount de Faramond first came out.

Mrs. Boardman has arranged for a series of Monday teas at the Chevy Chase Club, beginning with the first Monday in May. When the weather permits there will be a particular charm given these affairs, by small tables being arranged under the trees.

Lady Durand entertained in her accustomed manner at the British embassy yesterday afternoon, when a number of society people called and lingered over the tea cups. She was assisted by Mrs. de Chair, wife of the naval attaché of the embassy, and Miss Durand.

Weddings.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Seabourne, of Pittsfield, Pa., have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Edna Moss Taylor, to Otto Paul Anders, of this city, the marriage to take place Wednesday, April 27.

Important among the numerous weddings scheduled for this week will be that on Tuesday at the home of Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Calvin De Witt, when

WOMEN WHO WILL PARTICIPATE IN RUSSIAN BAZAAR



MISS LOUISE JONES, Who has received the appointment of Postmistress at the Russian Red Cross Bazaar, on Tuesday.



MME. JUSSERAND, The American wife of the French ambassador, who will be at the head of the Russian booth at the Bazaar on Tuesday.



MISS KATHERINE CULLOM RIDGELY.

One of last winter's debutantes, and hostess at a long series of brilliant social events at her father's home, will be one of the head waitresses in Mrs. Oliver Cromwell's German Garden, at the Russian Red Cross Bazaar. She will have as chief assistant her pretty young sister, Eleanor Ridgely.

their daughter, Miss Mary Wallace De Witt, will be married to Dr. Robert Moore Blanchard, U. S. A. The ceremony, which will take place at 4 o'clock, will be witnessed by only a few intimate friends.

The Rev. John De Witt, D. D., LL. D., of Princeton Theological Seminary, will officiate.

Miss Kate Fuller Porter, of Charleston, S. C., will be maid of honor, and Miss Lottie Hodges and Miss Mildred Kensett, of Norfolk, Va.; Miss Cornelia Baird, daughter of Capt. William Baird, U. S. A., and Miss Desdemona Morris, daughter of the late Col. L. T. Morris, U. S. A., will be bridesmaids.

The groom's best man will be the bride's brother, Dr. Wallace De Witt, U. S. A., and the ushers, Dr. Thomas Devereux, U. S. A.; Capt. John Barker, Third Infantry, and Dr. Charles H. Reynolds, U. S. A.

Another wedding of particular interest is that of Miss Mary Elize Thompson, daughter of the Rev. William Talliferro Thompson, and John Breasted Bridges, of Hancock, Md., who will be married at 8:30 o'clock on Wednesday evening at Eckington Church. The Rev. Mr. Thompson, the bride's father and pastor of the church, will perform the ceremony.

Mr. Thompson has been three years in Eckington, and before that was pastor for twenty years of the First Presbyterian, the famous "old Scotch" church, of Charleston, S. C. Miss Ann Payne Lewis, of West Virginia, will be maid of honor.

The best man will be Henry Percival Bridges, of Baltimore, a brother of the groom; the six ushers, William Talliferro Thompson, Jr., a brother of the bride; Wilbur Bridges, George Wallace Jones, Charles Golden Miller, Magnus Talliferro Young, and Henry Damon Young.

The wedding of Miss Helen Maude Lightfoot and DeWitt Lee Reaburn will

take place at All Souls' Church on Wednesday evening, at 7:30 o'clock. A reception will follow for the immediate relatives and bridal party at Terrace Heights, the home of the bride's parents.

The date announced for the marriage of Miss Desdemona Morris, daughter of the late Col. S. T. Morris, to Washington Sherwood Delgado, is June 2, the wedding to take place at the home of the bride's mother, 2115 O Street, at 7:30 o'clock in the evening. Miss Apple-garth, of Baltimore, will be maid of honor, and Frederick Delgado, brother of the prospective groom, will be best man.

Invitations have been issued for the marriage of Miss Alice Jean Fryer, of this city, to Clarence B. Hurrey, of Michigan. The wedding will take place April 30 at St. Andrew's Church.

Mrs. Susanna C. Hancock has issued cards announcing the marriage of her daughter, Ella, to Thomas Holehan, Wednesday, April 20.

Chit-Chat.

Mrs. E. F. Droop, and the Misses Droop are preparing to sail for Europe, and have held their last "at home."

Mrs. Marlin E. Olmsted, wife of Representative Olmsted of Harrisburg, has returned to Washington for a short visit, the trip being made ostensibly for the purpose of attending the wedding of Miss Webb and Dr. Mitchell which took place Wednesday. Mrs. Olmsted became closely allied with the younger element of society when in Washington, and the girls took her into their hearts. She was matron of honor at the marriage of Texas Bates, daughter of General and Mrs. Bates, to young McKee. The greatest sympathy was felt for her during her illness and confinement in a

hospital in Baltimore, and she is being entertained here to the full limit of her strength. She is a beautiful woman, and possessed of wonderful tact and magnetism.

Mrs. Moore Richardson, who spent the early spring in Bermuda, with her uncle, Senator Clark, and his family, returned a week ago with her children, having had a most delightful stay.

Gen. E. A. Carr, U. S. A., retired, and Mrs. Carr, are spending the spring at the Portland, on Vermont Avenue.

A meeting was held last week at the residence of Mrs. Humphrey, wife of the Quartermaster General of the Army, of representative army women of the

Army Relief Society, for the purpose of making arrangements for an entertainment to be given at the National Theater on May 17.

It will be a dramatic performance under the direction of Robert Hickman, of the Columbia Dramatic School of Washington. The play will be presented by pupils of the school. The patronesses are Mrs. Chaffee, Mrs. Almsworth, Mrs. Humphrey, Mrs. Weston, Mrs. Schreiner, Mrs. Nash, Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Koepfer, Mrs. Lawton, and Mrs. Borden.

Mrs. Mary Grant Cramer, sister of Gen. U. S. Grant, who has been visiting her cousin, Mrs. Belle Ross, for the past six weeks, has returned to her home in East Orange, N. J.

SOCIAL HAPPENINGS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY

William E. Wall, of New York city, is at his home here, "Waldene," visiting his family.

Cora Ward, of Laytonville, niece of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ward, has gone to Georgia to visit Mr. and Mrs. Sillas Deity.

Nannie Hebb Snouffer, daughter of G. Fenton Snouffer, of Galtersburg, was married at the home of the bride to Archibald H. Asquith, of Cincinnati, Ohio, who has been attending college there, has returned home. He will not return to Cincinnati.

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with spring blossoms and trailing vines. The ballroom and parlors were handsomely lighted. Many young people from this county and Washington were present. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Blaubeck were the host and hostess.

Sadie Price and Archibald Dixon, of Dickersons, were married in Frederick by the Rev. Charles F. Steck.

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WOMAN'S LEAGUE WILL HOLD RUMMAGE SALE

Proceeds for Benefit of the Day Nursery—A Worthy Cause.

A rummage sale will be held for two weeks, beginning tomorrow, at 1331 Twelfth Street northwest. The proceeds are to go to the Day Nursery, an institution maintained by the Woman's League, where children of poor parents may be cared for while their mothers are at work.

The Woman's League is an organization of negro people of Washington, and its financial resources have been much diminished through the many demands made upon it during the year. Donations of clothing and household goods or of a miscellaneous character will be appreciated, and announcement is made that things which cannot be sent by those who give them will be called for upon notice sent to Ida D. Bailey, 1713 T Street. Helen A. Cook is president of the league.

PENNSYLVANIA STUDENTS CALL ON MR. MOODY

Secretary Moody and Admiral Dewey received a party of 109 students of the West Chester (Pa.) State Normal School in the office of the Secretary of the Navy yesterday.

SCHOOLS IN FRANCE.

Official statistics show that the abolition of the congregational schools in France will involve an expenditure of 64,000,000 francs for building and enlarging school premises, with an additional annual outlay of 6,500,000 francs for teachers' salaries.—Paris Daily Messenger.

WORLD'S SCIENTISTS ASKED TO WHITE HOUSE

President Extends Invitation to Members of International Congress Who Will Visit Washington.

Prof. Simon Newcomb, the Washington astronomer; Prof. Muensterberg, of Harvard, and Prof. Small, of Chicago University, the organizing committee of the International Congress of Arts and Sciences, called yesterday upon the President. The congress is to meet in St. Louis from September 19 to 25.

The President was made acquainted with their plans, and was informed that most of the distinguished scientists from abroad who shall attend the congress will be in Washington on September 27. The President extended a most cordial invitation through the committee to these visitors to call upon him when in the city.

CLEVELAND TO SUMMER IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

LACONIA, N. H., April 23.—Former President Cleveland and his family will spend a portion of the coming summer at Sandwich, and there is a probability that the family may establish a permanent summer home in that town. He has rented the Schuyler Bennett farm.

SPINSTER DEAD AT 104.

BERLIN, Mass., April 23.—Rebecca Whitcomb died last night at the great age of 104 years. She was born in Belton, November 17, 1799, the 15th child in a family of eleven. Until within a few months she was able to read her Bible and take great interest in religious matters.

BAZAAR AROUSES KEEN EXPECTANCY

Countess Cassini Praying for Bright Skies.

DETAILS NEARLY COMPLETE

Review of Important Features of the Show—Some of Those Who Take Part.

Now that everything is ready for the opening of the Russian Red Cross Bazaar, on Tuesday afternoon, except a few trifling details, the incessant wish for everyone is for a fair day, for even the luster of the bazaar would fade under drenched canvas, and surrounded by water-soaked earth. Even pretty women in picture hats and fantastic frocks cease to be charming under weeping skies—hence the prayer.

"The man who makes your weather in this country promises well," said Countess Cassini, "but," with a genuine French shrug, "who knows?" Already the sun is out, and the signs other than those of spring, and by Monday night or Tuesday noon, it will appear like an enchanted village, perched on the hill where all may view it.

Men have responded generously with their money, and women with both money and time.

Mrs. Cromwell, of New York, has entered into the affair with great spirit, and as the proprietor of the German garden, and manager of the vaudeville show, will maintain one of the leading features. A lot of pretty girls in Dutch dress, among them the Misses Ridgely, will serve the beer and other things suggested by the name of the garden.

Mme. Jusserand.

Mme. Jusserand, wife of the French ambassador, will be at the head of the Russian bazaar, which, of course, will be one of the most dignified and beautiful of all. Mme. Jusserand will be assisted by a number of society girls. Mme. Boutakoff, wife of the naval attaché at this post, and a band of Russian children in native costume will be an attractive feature.

Mr. Gutowski, attaché of the Russian embassy, will follow at night Mrs. Cromwell's beer garden of the afternoon with a high class restaurant or cafe. Your dinner there, including the smiles of fair society girls as waitresses will cost just \$3 a plate. Now you may have just any kind of wine you wish—by paying for it extra.

The Vaudeville Show.

Liveliest of all the lively places will be the vaudeville show, which, with the combined efforts and talents of Mrs. Cromwell and Mrs. Barney, must be successful. Mrs. Marie Ashton-Smith will sing gypsy songs in a real gypsy costume, and will be accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Lucy Page Steele. Miss Rittman will dance, and again the attractive family of the Peruvian minister and Senora Calderon will lend their talents.

Mme. Hengelmuller, wife of the Austrian Ambassador, will have a flower booth, and Miss May, Countess Cassini's only rival as a flower girl, will sell flowers.

A Fair Postmistress.

Miss Louise Van Dyke Jones, niece of the Postmaster General and Mrs. Payne, fled the company of her invalid uncle in Texas and came to Washington Thursday to attend the Dewey dinner last night, and to the bazaar take place on Tuesday. Miss Jones will be postmistress. This is a fine office, and will turn in lots of shekels. Miss Jones looks out through the square window and shows Count Somebody, the daintiest sort of a letter addressed in the handwriting of Miss Fulpurise, and says there is 50 cents due in postage on the letter, and he must pay before it is taken out.

Done. The count gets the letter and gets left at the same time, for the address outside the only autograph he will have to cherish of the winsome lass—the pages are blank. Of course no fraud order will be issued against any such transactions, for Cupid is a hopeful imp, and the next letter shown the count will bring forth another half dollar.

Of course, there will be a lot of tender little epistles of the most secret sort, and probably, as happened once before in Washington, a sure enough out-and-out proposal for marriage, secured by a pretty girl from the man of her fancy, for less than a dollar. Engagements for supper in the Dutch garden and seats at the vaudeville performance will pass through the little postoffice window, with hundreds of other useful and interesting bits of information.

Mrs. Bessie Stewart Hooker has interested herself in the vaudeville show, and will sell refreshments.

French Fixings.

Countess Cassini was the happiest looking woman in Washington yesterday, because the numerous boxes of fine women's wear from France had been mislaid in New York, and had, after days of anxiety, been brought to light.

Of course, Mrs. Foster, being one of the patronesses for the Russian bazaar, had no intention of interfering with that entertainment when she arranged for her reception in honor of Prince Pu Lun. The fact is, she had to consult that dignitary in arranging the date.

CUBA'S RICHEST WOMEN.

Senora Rosa Ahreu, the richest woman in Cuba, is a handsome, intelligent, aristocratic looking widow worth \$200,000 and with no income. She lives in the Cerro, a fashionable suburb of Havana, was born in Cuba, as was her late husband, and all her interests and sympathies are entirely non-Spanish. La senora is very democratic in manner and takes great interest in a society organized by American women to aid the poor. Her plantation, one of the largest in Cuba, consists of 150,000 acres of magnificent coffee land.